

Fair and cooler tonight.
Fair tomorrow.

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KOREAN LEADER RUSSIAN TOOL AGAINST JAPAN

Yi Yong Ik, Former War Minister, Is Plotting Against Mikado.

MEETING AT SHANGHAI

Conspires There With M. Pavloff, Minister of the Czar.

SHANGHAI, Sept. 20.—Yi Yong Ik, the former Korean minister of war and finance and leader of the Russian party in Korea before the war, is said to be in Shanghai, engaged in plotting, with M. Pavloff, former minister of Russia at Seoul, against Japan.

Defeated by Japan.

For several years the Emperor of Korea relied on the advice of Yi Yong Ik, who wielded such power that few dared to oppose him. He was at the height of his power just previous to the outbreak of the war between Russia and Japan, when the Russians and Japanese were struggling for supremacy at the Korean court.

Yi Yong Ik then headed the Russian party. Before the war he assured the Emperor that in case of war he would arrange matters so that no trouble would result for Korea.

As Yi Yong Ik practically controlled all the government offices at Seoul, the Emperor placed implicit faith in him, and he practically became ruler of the kingdom, although described as an illiterate man, unable to read or write.

Ingenuous Financier.

But he showed wonderful ingenuity in devising new plans to get money out of the people and enrich the Emperor, among his favorite schemes being one to create false accusations of treason and then confiscate all the property of the accused and his family.

An ill-favored, unkempt man, Yi Yong Ik lived in very humble quarters, being aware that many favorites had fallen through yielding to habits of luxury and pleasure. But he could not stem the tide of Japanese influence and he was gradually undermined to the wall.

Late in February, 1904, he was arrested and deported to Japan, but when Japan had Korea well in her own hands he was allowed to return to his native land under surveillance.

WIFE WILL NOT GIVE UP HUSBAND'S REMAINS

Disowned by Wealthy Baltimorean's Parents, She Holds His Body in California.

VENTURA, Cal., Sept. 18.—The body of Edward M. Gillette, who was drowned here in the surf a week ago, is still unburied.

His parents are wealthy Baltimore people, and they ordered the body sent to them. The reply was made that his wife would not give up the body until she had been repaid for the loss of her husband, and retained a local attorney to investigate.

Produced Certificate.

He found Mrs. Gillette, and she produced a marriage certificate dated Los Angeles, March last. Mrs. Gillette said her husband's body would not go East until she accompanied it.

The Eastern Gillettes refuse to recognize her as their son's wife, and they have instructed the attorney to look out for Gillette's estate here, which consists of a gasoline launch and a note of \$1,200 from Gillette's father.

Son Was Wayward.

The wife was formerly a housekeeper in the Maryland home of the family, while the son was a wayward boy. The couple drifted to the coast together against the wishes of his father, who Gillette lived an exemplary life here.

THE WEATHER REPORT.

The Lake Superior storm has passed beyond the field of observation, and a second disturbance, in which the barometer reads 29.34 inches, has appeared north of Montana. The plateau high has spread east-southeast and now occupies the lower Ohio and middle Mississippi valleys and Texas.

Showers have fallen in Texas and the East Gulf States, and thence northeastward through Tennessee and the Ohio valley to the lower lake region. Rains have also fallen on the north Pacific coast.

It is decidedly cooler in the lake region and the Ohio valley. Temperatures have risen in Kansas, Nebraska, the upper Missouri valley, and the northern Rocky mountain region. In the Washington forecast district fair weather will prevail tonight and Thursday, with some cooler weather tonight in Atlantic coast districts north of the Carolinas, and moderate temperatures Thursday.

TEMPERATURES.

9..... 77
12..... 82
1..... 85

DOWNTOWN.

(Registered Alcock's Standard Thermometer.)
9..... 84
12..... 89
1..... 91

THE SUN.

Sun sets today..... 6:01
Sun rises tomorrow..... 5:46

TIDE TABLE.

High tide today..... 12:10 p.m.
Low tide today..... 6:41 p.m.
High tide tomorrow..... 1:31 a.m.
Low tide tomorrow..... 7:36 p.m.

ALBERS, CONVICTED ON INSULT CHARGE, TO MAKE APPEAL

American Prisoner Held Guilty by Nicaraguan Court of Lese Majeste--Consul Lee to Make Investigation.

United States Minister Merry reports that William S. Albers, the manager of the Point Limon Mining Company, of Philadelphia, who was recently arrested in Nicaragua on the charge of offering resistance to the authorities and insulting the President of that country, has been convicted there.

It is almost certain that an appeal will be taken. In the meantime, the

State Department will do what it can in Albers' behalf and hopes to eventually secure his release. It has been the intention of the department to send Consul General Lee from Panama, on board the Princeton, to Nicaragua, to investigate the circumstances of the arrest, which is said to have been unwarranted. Whether this course will be necessary has not yet been definitely determined.

Two Youthful Elopers Off With Good Start

George Franklin and Miss Elizabeth Skinner Thought to Have Sought Boston's Cool and Conservative Atmosphere.

Two youthful elopers are being sought by the local detectives and police.

Cupid has a two days' start, and it is a matter of considerable doubt whether George Franklin, twenty years old, and Miss Elizabeth Skinner, eighteen years of age, will be caught before they are united in the holy bonds of matrimony.

The two are believed to have left the city Sunday night, although the police and relatives knew little or nothing of their plans until yesterday afternoon, when Captain Boardman was requested to have a lookout maintained for Franklin, who had borrowed Dent Jarboe's red-wheeled trap in which to elope from Congress Heights to Washington.

Charming Youth.

Franklin is said to be a prepossessing young man of fetching address. He is of fair complexion, has curly hair and is good looking. When last seen, he wore a new blue suit and a light felt hat.

Miss Skinner lived with her parents in Congress Heights, and Franklin, although he has a home on upper Franklin street northwest, boarded across the river. The two became friends recently, but the girl's parents would not listen to any plans of her marriage, because of her youth.

On Sunday, Franklin, who owned a horse, borrowed Jarboe's buggy, saying he wanted to take a drive to Washington. Yesterday the owner of the vehicle complained to the police that he had been eucered out of his fix and asked that Franklin be apprehended and held on a charge of larceny. Later he informed the police that he had regained possession of the vehicle, it having been left in front of Franklin's Fourteenth street home.

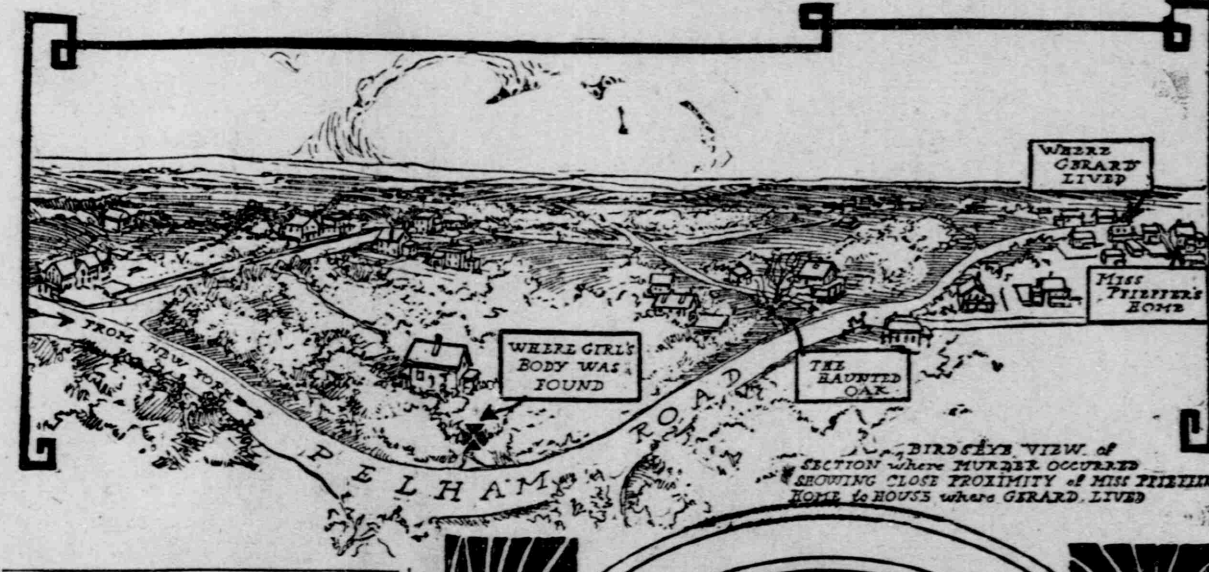
Wore Red Dress.

It is believed that Franklin, and his fiancée, who is a charming girl, and who was clad in a bright red dress with hat to match at the time of her disappearance, drove to his home, where he procured a suit case filled with his and her clothes and then made tracks to the Pennsylvania station, where they purchased tickets to Boston.

The agent at the station says he sold two tickets to a young man who seemed much excited and was accompanied by a girl dressed in red.

The agent is positive that the tickets were for Boston. The police in that city have been requested to look out for the couple and prevent the marriage, if possible, because of their youth.

FUGITIVE SUSPECT IN THE "HAUNTED OAK" MURDER MYSTERY, AND MAP SHOWING SCENE OF THE CRIME



GERARD SAILING TO WEST INDIES

Water Will Not Wash Out Bloody Trail.

POLICE KNOW HIS PORT

Have Cabled for His Arrest--Cries of "Murder!" Off the Pelham Road.

NEW YORK, Sept. 20.—Joseph Gerard, the supposed slayer of pretty Augusta Pfeiffer, who was found dead under the "Haunted Oak," off Pelham road in the Bronx, is on a schooner bound for a port in the West Indies.

This is the belief of the police today from a new clue obtained by central office detectives. The missing man, it is asserted, shipped as a sailor under an assumed name.

Two new witnesses also were found today who give the police valuable information.

In the search for Gerard, detectives visited all the shipyards and sailway boarding houses in the city. They carried a photograph of Gerard. At last they found a shipyard where a man who had shipped for the West Indies was seen at a time corresponding with the disappearance of Gerard.

The detectives refuse to reveal the name of the vessel or the port to which he is bound, but a cable message requesting the arrest of the man has been sent to the port in question.

Date of Death.

The police are now very strongly inclined to the belief that Gussie Pfeiffer died on Wednesday night. This is in face of the original statement from the coroner's office that the girl had not been dead more than twelve hours when the body was found Saturday at noon. Coroner O'Gorman has hedged; he thinks that the autopsy must have been a mistake.

But how could he have lain undiscovered for three days at a point in full view from Pelham road passes understanding. Small bits of evidence picked up yesterday nearly complete the case against the missing Joseph Gerard.

This chain begins with the girl getting off a Throgs Neck car, about a mile from home, at some time between 8 and 9 p.m. Wednesday evening.

At 8:30 Joseph Gerard, quite drunk, was sitting in front of Dillon's barber shop, when he saw the girl jump out of the car and then disappear.

Following Women.

A little before that time, Oscar Steinger, a stable boy, had seen him follow two women along the Pelham road. Steinger waited, thinking that Gerard might attack them. But Gerard seemed to think better of it, returned to the barber shop, and sat down again.

Gerard then followed the girl, who lives on the road about 200 yards from the thick where the body was found, heard a woman crying "Murder!" This Joseph J. Gerard is not related to Joseph Gerard, the suspect. It is just a coincidence of names. To distinguish him, he is known now on Pelham road as "the good Mr. Gerard."

It was just a quarter of 5 a church clock nearby was striking the hour, when Joseph J. Gerard heard this noise—three shouts of "Murder!" in a woman's voice and then moaning. He jumped out of bed and was going to take a look, but Mrs. Gerard stopped him.

"Same Old Thing."

"It's nothing," she said, "or the same old thing." The woods along Pelham road, Mr. Gerard says, have always been rough. Such sounds have been heard when they didn't mean anything serious. He was nervous, however, and didn't like the moans. He sat by his window and listened. Presently Frank Meyer came along. Gerard hailed him from the window.

"Did you hear anyone crying murder?" he asked. Meyer had heard nothing so Gerard went to bed.

He went home suspecting Gerard this time. He had heard bloody down in front and had seen the girl in the thick. He changed his clothes, gave them to Julia Mahon, with whom he lived, to be washed, and disappeared from sight the next morning.

That is a pretty clear chain of circumstances. Every step of it has been verified. The question yesterday, as the day before, lay in the condition and position of the girl's body. If she was there from Wednesday night why was she not seen sooner? Coroner O'Gorman hedged a good deal on the autopsy.



Legation Not to Be an Embassy, Says Takahira

Declares He Has No Word of Change in Washington—Calls Disappointment Over Peace Treaty Not Unmixed Evil.

"I have not heard that the Japanese legation in Washington will be changed to an embassy," said Mr. Takahira, the Japanese minister, this morning. "The newspapers have scattered rumors that the representative of Japan is to become an ambassador soon. If they have trustworthy knowledge that such a step is contemplated, they know more than I do."

Minister Takahira diplomatically avoided an answer when asked whether his country's present rank among the first powers would not make such action on the part of his government plausible.

Treaty Ratification.

"When will the Portsmouth treaty be ratified?" the minister was asked. "At an early date," he replied. "Mr. Yamazaki, who sails today on the Dakota from Seattle, in company with Mr. Denison and five other members of the Japanese party, is carrying the official treaty to the Emperor. It is possible that Mr. Yamazaki can deliver it in about two weeks. The time that is to elapse after that, taken in completing the formalities between the two interested governments, is to be counted also."

The treaty provides that within fifty days from the date of signature ratifications shall be exchanged by telegraph. This exchange will be conducted by the American ambassador in St. Petersburg, who will notify the Japanese government of the ratification, and by the French minister in Tokyo, who will notify the Russian government of the Mikado's ratification.

Tokyo Rioting.

"The riots," the minister explained when asked about them, "have become purely local affairs now. It is said that a movement is current to accomplish a revolution in Japan, its object being to place the emperor in the position before the shogunate was abolished about forty years ago. But it is improbable. The new generation in Japan has proved itself to be sensible, and all the disturbances have been caused by those classes which are never satisfied with anything."

Sometimes, smiled the minister, a little dissatisfaction is good for every body. The dissatisfaction incident to the peace treaty has served to not let the people intoxicate themselves with joy, nor to embark in ephemeral enterprises, such as followed the close of our war with China."

Transfer to London Denied.

Minister Takahira denied that he would be transferred to London soon. "All these rumors are inventions of people who think they know, but do not," said he. "I have received no intimation whatever of any such move. And the publication of those statements is extremely annoying to me. I am minister in Washington—and that's all."

NEW YORK, Sept. 20.—After a five-weeks' trip to Europe, Charles M. Schwab returned yesterday on the Kronprinz Wilhelm, feeling considerably disposed. Mr. Schwab contracted a cold before the steamer sailed.

Mr. Schwab went at once to the Holland House, where he met a few friends. In an interview he denied that the purpose of his European trip was to discuss the building of a new navy for the Russian government.

"I visited Russia," said Mr. Schwab, "but did not call upon the Czar or his representatives. I did not bring back any contracts for the building of a vessel of any kind for the Russians or any other nation. I spent most of my time in recreation."

Mr. Schwab denied that the Bethlehem Steel Corporation had bought the blast furnaces and iron mines owned by Joseph Wharton in Wharton, at Phillipsburg and Hibernia, N. J. He also denied a report that he contemplated heading a syndicate of capitalists to bring into one concern the properties of the Goldfield district.

NEW YORK LIFE'S FUND CARELESSLY PASSED AROUND

One Man Handled Large Sums Without Security.

QUESTIONS ANGER M'CALL

"Holds Himself Responsible for Every Cent," He Dramatically Declares.

NEW YORK, Sept. 20.—John A. McCall, president of the New York Life, was put on the rack by Chief Inquisitor Hughes, of the insurance investigating committee, today.

Explanation was persistently sought of that now famous and mysterious \$100,000 account of Judge Andrew Hamilton, the Albany counsel for the company. The account is now more singular than ever.

Mr. McCall declared that \$780,000 had been appropriated to buy property through John Golding, a well-known real estate agent, and Judge Hamilton. He endeavored to show that the \$100,000 account was a part of that.

"Where is Judge Hamilton's account of that \$100,000?" was demanded. "It was an oral account, made to me," answered Mr. McCall.

Does Not Know.

"Do you know whether he still has that \$100,000 paid in two checks on March 19, 1904?" asked Mr. Hughes. "I do not," admitted Mr. McCall. He half rose, and, holding up his right hand, exclaimed dramatically: "I hold myself personally responsible for every cent taken from the New York Life."

It was also brought out that \$75,000 had been advanced to Judge Hamilton in 1903.

"That was to take up a mortgage," said Mr. McCall. "The money is not yet expended because the property is still in foreclosure."

Had Big Sums.

Thus Judge Hamilton was officially declared to have had various great sums amounting to \$100,000 in his possession for many months, giving no security and yielding no written account thereof. The money was charged to "legal expenses," but not so itemized to the state insurance department.

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"I have tried, to the best of my ability," he declared.

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